

## General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 136

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

## AN ACT PLACING A MORATORIUM ON CERTAIN ALTERNATIVE ON-SITE SEWAGE TREATMENT SYSTEMS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 22a-430 of the general statutes is amended by
- 2 adding subsections (l) to (n), inclusive, as follows (Effective from
- 3 passage):
- 4 (NEW) (l) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes or
- 5 any regulation adopted under any provision of the general statutes
- 6 and except as provided in subsection (m) of this section, the
- 7 commissioner, after the effective date of this section and until two
- 8 years after the effective date of this section, shall not issue a permit for
- 9 or accept any application for a permit for an alternative on-site sewage
- 10 treatment system with a capacity greater than five thousand gallons
- 11 per day, nor shall any such system be constructed within such time
- 12 period, except as provided in subsection (m) of this section.
- 13 (NEW) (m) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (l) of this
- section, the commissioner may accept application for and, within said
- 15 commissioner's discretion, may issue a permit for and allow the

installation of an alternative on-site sewage treatment system with a capacity greater than five thousand gallons per day, if such treatment system: (1) Addresses failures of an existing subsurface sewage disposal system, provided the proposed treatment system capacity does not exceed the capacity of the failed system; (2) is necessary to remediate existing pollution associated with an individual septic system or systems; (3) is necessary to remediate community pollution within a decentralized wastewater management district, established by a municipality pursuant to section 7-247; (4) is necessary for the expansion of an existing municipal or public school project, or for new construction of a municipal or public school project; or (5) is located on property owned or leased by a nonprofit recreational facility.

(NEW) (n) Not later than two years after the effective date of this section, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall determine, after notice and public hearing, whether alternative on-site sewage treatment systems with capacities greater than five thousand gallons per day perform, in accordance with applicable federal and state standards, in a manner that will not impair the natural resources of the state.

| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |              |         |  |
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| Section 1   | from passage | 22a-430 |  |

## Statement of Purpose:

To impose a two-year state-wide moratorium on the permitting or construction of alternative on-site sewage treatment systems with a daily capacity of greater than five thousand gallons, subject to certain exemptions.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]